

FRISCO SHOPS

OPEN IN JULY

Commercial Bodies of Springfield are Arranging for a Monster Demonstration

President A. J. Davidson and Vice President C. R. Gray of the Frisco, who arrived in Springfield yesterday in their special train stated that the new \$2,000,000 Frisco shops in this city, which are nearing completion, will be formally opened on Monday, July 3, and the citizens of Springfield are planning a monster demonstration in honor of the event.

It is expected that the presence of Governor Hadley and ex-Governor David R. Francis of St. Louis will be secured as speakers, and other talks will be made by Frisco officials and prominent Springfield men. The Frisco will run trains from the Mill street station to the shops every hour, and from the Commercial street station every half hour. This service will be free.

The morning will be given over to the inspection of the shops by the visitors and in the afternoon the speaking will be held in one of the larger buildings. President Taft will be asked to touch a button which will set in motion the machinery of the new shops. —Springfield Republican.

Sues Man for Damages Who Bought His Wife

Portland, Ore., June 2.—John Braganza sold his wife to his neighbor, H. Ruddat, for \$150, with the consent of the woman, and a bill of sale was drawn up and signed by both parties to the transaction, reading as follows: "I have sold my wife to H. Ruddat for \$150. John Braganza."

Now Braganza has brought action against the purchaser of his wife for alienating her affections, and the legal lights are in somewhat of a tangle. The question of whether a wife can be regarded as a chattel can, of course, be easily answered, but whether a man can plead damages from the loss of a wife whom he sold is without precedent.

Commission Form of Government

Mayor Guyer of Kansas City, Kan., has issued a proclamation calling a special election on July 14th to vote on the commission form of government for that city. Should the voters, women included adopt the commission form of government, the present mayor and aldermen form will be replaced by a mayor commissioner and four commissioners. This form of government is now in successful operation in Galveston, Houston, Des Moines and other cities.

Missouri Postmasters to Receive More Pay

Following the readjustment of salaries of postmasters of the United States, a number of post-offices in southwest Missouri will pay higher salaries. The salaries for postmasters at the following towns will be: Ash Grove, \$1,500; Bolivar, \$1,800; Buffalo, \$1,300; Cassville, \$1,500; Golden City, \$1,400; Houston, \$1,400; Lockwood, \$1,500; Monett, \$2,200; Mt. Vernon, \$1,600; Ozark, \$1,300; Republic, \$1,400; Sarcocoxie, \$1,500; Thayer, \$1,500; Willow Springs, \$1,000; Billings, \$1,200; Crane, fourth class; Lebanon, \$2,000.

No Gun Toting

The law making it a penitentiary offense to carry concealed weapons will go into effect in August. Gun toting will go out of fashion about that time to the great good of the commonwealth.

Rev. Dr. J. W. Stewart, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, Springfield, spent three hours between trains with Rev. Stevens and family. Rev. Stewart and Rev. Stevens are friends of many years. They were both members of the South Kansas conference.

Dust Wrecked a Kansas Train

Colby, Kan., June 1.—High winds prevailed in this county Sunday night. For several hours a dust storm filled the air so densely that it was almost impossible to see across the street. The cuts of the Union Pacific Railroad were in many instances filled with sand several inches deep. In a cut two miles east of Colby passenger train No. 136 was wrecked because of the dust. The engine plowed into the sand and was finally raised above the rails several inches. It plunged to one side and toppled over. The fireman and engineer jumped and escaped injury. The wind did considerable injury to the growing wheat crop.

The berry market was fairly active Wednesday, but it was necessary to cut the price to \$1.75 to effect a movement of the days output. There will probably be no improvement in the market for a few days.

There were two cars from Arkansas and forty cars from Missouri. Of these the Ozark Association handled twenty-eight. Of these Sarcocoxie shipped six cars; Logan, four; Neosho, eight; Peirce City, three; Republic, three; Monett, three; Anderson, three; Bel-fast, two; Seneca, three, and one each from Racine, Granby, Aroma, Butterfield, Purdy, Marionville, Verona and Billings.

Entertained at Whist

Mrs. S. C. Collier and Mrs. Chas. Bryan entertained a few friends on Wednesday afternoon at whist at the home of Mrs. Collier. There were about thirty-five present to enjoy the hospitality of these ladies. Mrs. Geo. Morrow was awarded the first prize. Mrs. J. V. Dysart the second and Mrs. Smith of Rolla, the consolation prize. Nice refreshments were served.

Over \$8,000 of county warrants are now outstanding and not paid for want of funds. The county treasurer cannot pay the warrants and they remain outstanding and drawing interest, which interest is being paid by the taxpayers. The county is going deeper and deeper into debt and a special election is forced upon the taxpayer to further increase their indebtedness. Give these finance manipulators a lesson at the coming special election that they will not soon forget.

Lawyers stand up in the court house before jurors, in the presence of large audiences, and denounce men as liars, scoundrels, thieves and perjurers, and the men appear to harbor no ill will against them. But let the newspaper faintly intimate that a man's character is blemished, and he has to confront a horse pistol, stand a libel suit or suffer what the people think to be the greatest of all mortifications—lose a subscriber. —Douglas County Advocate.

Wm. J. Roach, a Frisco engineer whose home was in Springfield for many years, died Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Frisco hospital at St. Louis after a short illness from pneumonia contracted at Newburg. He was forty-eight years old. A wife and six children survive him. The deceased was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and also of the Knights of Columbus. The body was shipped to Springfield for interment.

Frank Butterball, 11 years old was found dead near the Frisco right of way at Aurora by Conductor Bailey Monday night. The body was taken to Aurora Tuesday morning by the city marshal and the coronor. The lad was the stepson of R. F. Berry of Aurora. The cause of death is unknown. After an examination by the coroner of Lawrence county it was decided no inquest was necessary. The body was shipped to Ozark where it was interred beside the body of his father.

WILL THE DOCTOR ANSWER?



An Irishman paused in perplexity before three letter-slots at the postoffice bearing the words, "City," "Domestic," "Foreign."

"Faith," he muttered, "this is a pretty problem. Maggie's a domestic, she lives in the city, and she's a foreigner. What bates me is how I'm to get the letter into three holes at wanst."

Thirteen students graduated from Marionville college this year. The commencement exercises were held Thursday morning, Rev. Luther Freeman, D. D., delivering the address.

The socials at the Y. M. C. A. have been delayed by reason of repairs to the porches and outside stairways that will be begun in a few days. The building will also be re-painted throughout.

The grounds around the Frisco office building are being planted this week to shrubs and flowers, which will add greatly to their appearance.

Mark Tiernan has sold to J. B. Williams the southwest quarter of southeast quarter section 38, township 26, range 28 in Lawrence county for \$1400.

Mrs. J. A. Jenkins and guest, Mrs. Anna Reynolds, of Peirce City, drove to Mt. Vernon, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ernest Ault returned to her home at Chelsea, Okla., Monday morning after a visit with Mrs. J. H. Ferguson.

Sunday will be "Old Folks" day at the Southern Methodist church. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mrs. Clarence Traylor, of Bucklin, Kan., returned home Monday after a few days visit here.

Mrs. B. F. Carpenter of Omaha, returned home Tuesday after a visit with her sister, Mrs. G. B. White.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Beatty went to Cassville Thursday to visit relatives.

Miss Nora Wimsatt is attending the State normal school at Springfield.

Mrs. John Walsh went to Lebanon Wednesday to visit her mother, Mrs. Howard.

Mrs. Geo. Edgar and Misses Ethel and Margaret are visiting in Kansas and Oklahoma.

G. W. Chapin is taking a lay-off and H. J. Wrightsman is working in Monett place.

Mrs. Anna Reynolds, of Peirce City, visited Mrs. J. A. Jenkins this week.

Dallas Pruitt of Talpa, traded in Monett Thursday.

R. M. Callaway was in Oklahoma on business Wednesday.

W. B. Tayler is moving to the Frank Bingham property.

Miss Ruth Carlin, of Purdy, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. O. Barker.

J. C. Henry of Cassville, visited in Monett Monday.

CROUP stopped in 20 minutes sure with Dr. Shoop's Croup Remedy. One test will surely prove. No vomiting, no diarrhea. A safe and pleasing cough-syrup. —See Druggist.

PUT ON THE CHECKREIN.

How Many a Young Man Rushes on to His Ruin.

We are living in a fast age and a fast country. There is need of the brakes as well as of the engine; there are too many young men who understand the whip better than the checkrein. When the upset comes, it is found that the head is softer than the pavement and perhaps the idea is beaten into that soft head that prudence demanded slower driving.

On a Sabbath afternoon it is quite too common to meet a group of showily-dressed young men whose cigars and noisy talk show the rate at which they are traveling. While wiser young men are at their Bible class, writes Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D., in Christian Work, these youths are out on a dress parade, exhibiting their fast manners and habits to the public.

One of the group has chosen the club house for his Sunday resort, and another tries his good mother's heart sorely by coming home at midnight from the theater, and a wine supper after it. Before long there will be vacant situations in the business houses where these fast fellows are employed. Prudent merchants do not care to keep in their counting-rooms the clerks who wear too much jewelry and are seen too often at the counter of the fashionable saloons. There is an upset ahead for these young Jehus if they don't put on a checkrein.

Poor Harry Rapid's young wife called in to inquire if I could recommend a "very cheap boarding house," and knew of any place where her husband could find employment. Her face was as faded as her dress. It would have been well if Harry and his broken-down young wife had looked for plain frugal quarters when they began their matrimonial career. But they set up in ambitious style in a fine "flat," with sealskin saccques and a box at the opera and a fast horse for the drive to the beach. Now they have been sold out and are glad to hide away in such humble quarters as they can get. I trust that the sharp lesson will not be lost on them. This capsize of their showy turn-out may teach them that when Satan has a seat "on the box" it is a short road to ruin. Extravagance is one of the devil's baits in these days. It does not only break up homes; it breaks hearts. Both sound sense and moral courage are required by young people to conform to their circumstances and live within their means. The next thing is to know how to use money as a sacred trust and not to spend it in gratifying the lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life.

In the same counting room with Harry Rapid a while ago was young George Surepace. He was considered by his companions as decidedly "slow." Some of his fellow clerks made sport of his plain tweed coat and his Puritanical ways; they never could induce George to join one of their clubs, or to go with them to Brighton beach on Sunday, or to take a game of "poker" over a glass of wine. He married an industrious girl, who instead of studying Parisian fashion plates studied how to make both ends meet and how to make their cozy house look tidy when husband came home. Mary Surepace will soon be bringing her two rosy children to the infant department of the Sunday school, and George is already the leading man in the Society of Christian Endeavor. The other day he gave a spare ten dollars to his old fellow-clerk, Harry Rapid, in order to aid him in getting his watch out of pawn. I have watched these two young couples; it was the old race between the fast hare and the jogging tortoise; the hare has run himself out of breath and out of character; the slow and careful tortoise has won the race.

NO ROOM FOR ARGUMENT. "Yes," said the young wife, proudly, "father always gives something expensive when he makes presents."

"So I discovered when he gave you away," rejoined the young husband.

And with a large, open-faced sigh he continued to audit the monthly bills of his alleged better half.

SIXTEEN ROADS FIGHT LOW FARE

Seven More Joined in the Demurrer at Jefferson City Today

Jefferson City, June 1.—Seven more railroads, making sixteen in all, came into the supreme court today with demurrers to the petition of Attorney General Major relative to their action in the matter of the 3-cent fare rate. These demurrers contend that the petition of the Attorney General does not show on its face that either of them has committed a usurpation or unlawful exercise of any franchise right they enjoy.

Court House Election

At a mass meeting Wednesday afternoon in the city hall of Monett the question of voting a direct tax on the taxpayers of Barry county to build a \$50,000 court house at Cassville was discussed.

The meeting was organized by electing Perry Short, chairman and H. I. Bradford, secretary.

A number of short talks were made by persons present both from Monett and the surrounding country and, without exception, every one was opposed to the direct tax proposition.

Governor Hadley has recently made an order that all assessors should assess all property in the state at one half of its actual value instead of about one third as heretofore and this with the added burden of a direct tax in the midst of the prevailing hard times was considered to great a burden too to be imposed upon the tax payers of the county.

The chairman was instructed to appoint a committee of three to have charge of the matter.

Oklahoma Oil Wells Sold

Tulsa, Ok., June 1.—Another big deal in oil properties in the Tulsa district has just been consummated.

The Gulf Pipe Line Company has purchased of the Selby Oil Company the Ralph Perryman lease of 160 acres with five producing wells, the Ralston lease of 128 acres with twelve wells, the Lally Brown eighty with eleven wells, the George Brown eighty with four wells and Lucy Perryman, 160, with 700 barrels daily production.

All of these are in the north extension of the Glenn pool. The price was \$150,000.

Mrs. S. E. Green is suffering from enlargement of the liver.

Frank Bingham went to Joplin Wednesday.

Miss Blanche Carlin, of Purdy, went to Webb City Wednesday.

Mr. Peck, of Mt. Vernon, spent Tuesday in Monett.

Ike Hutchins, of Cassville, was in Monett Tuesday.

Mrs. Basler, of Shawnee, Okla., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Pete Heyburn.

John T. Burgess has been appointed administrator of the estate of Martin Glaser.

Mrs. George Shelton and son Ambrose are visiting friends in Sarcocoxie.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Boehm are keeping house in the north part of town.

Mrs. J. H. Inman of Webb City, returned home Monday after a visit with relatives at Monett and Purdy.

Mrs. Ethel Oedekoven, of Eureka Springs, visited her sister, Mrs. C. E. Vaughn this week. She left Wednesday morning for a visit at Logan.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Herron, and Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Cannefax, of Garber, Okla., departed Wednesday morning on a week's hunting and fishing trip on the James river in Stone county.

Mendon

The fine rain Saturday night was much appreciated by all the farmers.

There was a German wedding at Freistatt Tuesday, the 1st. A large crowd was invited.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Howard spent Tuesday in Mt. Vernon, attending Decoration Day services there.

She M. W. A. Camp of Mendon will hold their memorial service for their two deceased neighbors at the Methodist church the second Sunday in June. Rev. Qualls will deliver the address.

Mr. Rezin Zinn passed through here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Howard attended the memorial service at Kings Prairie church, Sunday.

Frank Richardson sold his driving horse last Friday.

Troy Beckett and Miss Mabel Weygant, Oliver Anderson and Miss Orba Howard all spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Theo Harris.

Everybody is busy and items are scarce.

VIOLET.

J. E. Sater, W. R. Breese and L. A. Mason have been selected as a committee to take charge of the opposition to the proposed voting of a direct tax to build a court house in Cassville. A united effort on the part of those who are opposed to this measure will result in defeating the schemes of a few persons who have private more than public interests at heart, but, on the other hand, if each voter depends on his neighbor to do the hustling and voting the election will be carried by the special interests and the burden of the tax will fall where it does not belong. If these Cassville parties want a court house so badly no one will object to their building one. There are four towns on the Frisco, between Monett and Seligman, that will enter into bond to erect a court house free of expense to the county, if they are given the county seat.

The Strawberry Business

Monday was the banner day so far in the strawberry business for this locality. Three cars were filled and sent out from Logan and two cars from Marionville while a half car was held over at each place. In addition to this about 300 crates went by express from Marionville and 150 from Logan. Car stuff on this day was all sold at \$2 and while this is lower than previous prices, yet there were heavy receipts all over the district and many of the places were obliged to consign their shipments. The quality, taken as a whole, is as fine as has ever been loaded and with a continuation of the present good weather conditions, the strawberry grower this year is a very fortunate individual.

On Tuesday two and one half cars were received at Marionville of which one was sold at \$2 and one car consigned. Logan also received two and a half cars. The total shipments from both places up to and including Tuesday, June 1st, are Logan 8 cars; Marionville, 6 cars. In addition to this several hundred crates have been shipped by express. —Marionville Free Press.

Youth Killed by Lightning

Excelsior Springs, Mo., June 2.—During the rainstorm which visited this section last night, Russell Holt, 15 years old, son of A. E. Holt, living two miles west of here, was killed by lightning.

The rain was the heaviest in this section in forty years. The downpour lasted for two hours and it is estimated that seven inches of rain fell. Bridges were washed out and many houses located on the lowlands of Fishing River were swept away.

Miss Grace Hutchison of Carthage, visited Miss Flossie Charles Thursday morning. She was enroute to Ft. Worth, Tex., to spend the summer.